



Montana Floodplain Program Preparedness Call

Webinar Agenda

April 27, 2018

The intent of this call is to provide a quick overview of programmatic issues, concerns, and responsibilities under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) prior to, during, and after flood events. In establishing the format of the conference call/webinar, we are hoping to keep the official briefing of the meeting and update to only 15 – 30 minutes. Then we will open the call up to questions for interested parties. We will have state and federal partners on the call to answer questions following the official briefing.

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AGENDA

I. Current Situation Update

1. Current Flooding
 - a. Major: Milk River at Tampico
 - b. Moderate: Milk River at Saco, Harlem, and Glasgow
 - c. Minor: Milk River at Dodson, Malta, Nashua and Big Hole River near Melrose
2. Current Advisories/Warnings
 - a. Warnings: Hill Co, Blaine Co, Phillips Co,
 - b. Advisories: Glacier Co, Meagher Co, Phillips Co
3. Current Forecast
 - a. Warming trend will likely jumpstart mountain snowmelt statewide
 - b. Possible heavy precipitation early next week to impact north Central Montana. Concerning if rain falls on existing snow or in basins already seeing high water.

II. Before the Flood: What should I be doing?

1. Daily Briefings
 - a. Number of buildings at risk of flooding in SFHA (and outside)
 - i. How many NFIP policies do you have?
 - b. Identify community buildings/evacuation centers in the SFHA
 - c. Identify FEMA-recognized levees or floodwalls
 - d. Discuss Emergency Permitting in SFHA (i.e. sandbagging)
 - e. Discuss Substantial Damage (assessment teams, temporary occupancy)

2. Emergency Permits
 - a. Utilize daily briefings to ensure permits are obtained
 - b. Should reflect action taken, expiration date of permit, timeline, removal requirements, whether a formal floodplain permit would be needed
 - c. Community can use resources to build an emergency berm or contract with Army Corps to construct one

3. Field Reconnaissance
 - a. Evaluate structures SFHA structures for notifications, Substantial Damage inspections
 - i. What resources are available? Personnel, drones, etc.
 - b. Coordinate with Emergency Manager/damage assessment teams
 - i. Brief on SFHA location
 - ii. Brief on buildings in SFHA, foundation types, occupancy, depth of flooding
 - iii. Make available FIRMettes of areas impacted by flood
 - iv. Make available inspection worksheets to assist with Substantial Damage assessments

4. Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) Teams (by Presidential Declaration)
 - a. Individual Assistance (IA) Teams
 - i. Assistance to individuals, families, businesses, and non-profits
 - ii. Provides temporary housing, repair money, etc.
 - iii. Have different terms regarding severity of damage than NFIP
 - iv. Assess damage to any structure regardless of location (in or out of SFHA)
 - b. Public Assistance (PA) Teams
 - i. Assistance to community for community-owned structures
 - c. State/Tribal Emergency Management coordinates with local/county Emergency Management to guide PDA teams but you should strive to be a part of the teams

III. Further Discussion and Questions